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1. On 11 August 1955, a signal exercise of the KVP extended over approximately 12 kilometers near the Neubrandenburg-Friedland road. Some officers wore white brassards. <sup>1</sup>
2. Between mid-August and early September, the occupation strength of the Kavallerie Kaserne in Pasewalk continually varied. Between 2 and 5 September, a major exercise which involved units of Division Prenzlau and from the Kavallerie Kaserne was held in the area north of Pasewalk. On 9 September, several columns of vehicles again left the installation for exercises. Large elements of the Divisions Eggesin and Prenzlau were allegedly detached for harvest employment. <sup>2</sup>
3. On 21 September, the installation quartered only the headquarters under General Rentsch and the signal battalion. <sup>3</sup>
4. In mid-September, approximately 8 x 45-mm guns were seen in front of the gun shed in the installation. <sup>4</sup>
5. In mid-September, between 30 and 35 Soviet advisors were stationed in Pasewalk.
6. On 6 October, elements from the Kavallerie Kaserne were still absent from the installation. The bulk of the signal battalion was detached for harvest employment. Soldiers seen in and near the installation wore red, blue, red-bordered black and yellow-bordered black collar patches. <sup>3</sup>
7. On 25 September, approximately 25 trucks carrying new cable reels passed through Pasewalk and proceeded toward Eggesin. The trucks had a green coat of paint and bore a large white "E" on their side boards. On 5 October, 30 new trucks  passed through Pasewalk. They came from the direction of Prenzlau and proceeded toward Torgelow.
8. Between 1 and 10 September, the KVP installation Fuenfeichen was occupied as previously by two engineer units. Drill was held in the installation and driving with pontoons was practiced on the lake. No major exercises were held or major columns left, during the period

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under review. A new construction project was reportedly to be started in Fuenfeichen in 1956.

9. On 27 August, 2 KVP columns totaling 54 trucks with pontoons, boats and bridge-building material passed through Neustrelitz. They came from the direction of Altstrelitz and proceeded northward.
10. On 27 August, it was rumored that KVP units which had conducted exercises in the Dossow area were stationed in the Gadow-Zootzen area. Artillery fire had reportedly also been heard.
11. On 27 August, some 20 trucks occupied by KVP soldiers, which came from the direction of Babitz passed through Wittstock. The soldiers who wore soiled uniforms and no weapons, came allegedly from the Zootzen area and were to be employed in the harvesting of crops. The tailboard of the trucks was marked by a white ball.
1. Comment. The exercise was presumably connected with an exercise of the Hq Corps Nord which probably also involved the signal battalion of the corps.
2. Comment. Units of the Mtz Rifle Div Prenzlau practiced in the Pasewalk-Torgelow-Jaerbrueck area during the entire month of September.
3. Comment. The Kavallerie Kaserne in Pasewalk is believed to be occupied by the Hq Korps Nord with General Rentsch, small corps units, the signal battalion and the AIA regiment of the corps. The bulk of the latter unit allegedly left for firing practices in early August.
4. Comment. AT guns of 45 mm were also observed in the quartering area of the AAA Regt Eggersdorf.
- It is possible that the guns are used for training purposes exclusively.
5. Comment. The engineer battalions of the corps and the Mtz Rifle Div Prenzlau are believed to be stationed in Fuenfeichen.
6. Comment. Similar columns were seen in Neuruppin and Loewenberg en route toward north on 26 and 27 August.
7. Comment. A Soviet training grounds is located east and southeast of Wittstock. Since early 1955, small-scale exercises of KVP units have apparently also been held there.

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